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AMENDMENT

Assistant Director of Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Please reexamine the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims

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1. (Currently amended) A mechanical joint for use in the construction of an article, said joint comprising:

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